

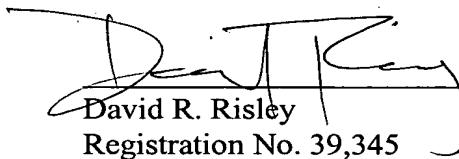
REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding non-final Office Action mailed November 24, 2004. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and pending claims are respectfully requested.

As is indicated in the foregoing, original claims 1-21 have been canceled in favor of claims 22-47. In view of that cancellation/addition, all outstanding rejections are believed to be moot. Applicant notes that claims 22-47 describe inventions that are novel and unobvious in view of the Hemphill reference (U.S. Pat. No. 6,490,617), and the other art of record. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that new claims 22-47 be held to be allowable. Applicant reserves the right to present the canceled claims, or variants thereof, in continuing applications to be filed subsequently.

If a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (770) 933-9500.

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